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Dear Examiner Barts:

As an inventor named on the above-identified application, I hereby declare that the subject matter of rejected claims 1-35 was invented in the United States prior to the effective date, October 16, 1997, of United States Patent 6,057,456.

In support of this Declaration, I attach hereto copies of pages, with their entry dates redacted, from laboratory notebooks maintained by me or one or more of my joint inventors, establishing a reduction to practice of the subject matter of the rejected claims prior to the effective date, October 16, 1997, of United States Patent 6,057,456. Notwithstanding the fact that the entry dates on these pages have been redacted, I hereby declare that these documents establish that a reduction to practice of the subject matter of the rejected claims took place in the United States prior to the effective date, October 16, 1997, of United States Patent 6,057,456.

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